FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H3668**

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The Honorable Joe E. Brown, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Department of Veteran's Affairs

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The proposed Bill would establish the Division of Veterans' Affairs in the Governor's Office as a separate and autonomous department within state government with a governing board.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The FY 2005-06 base budget for the Division of Veterans' Affairs is approximately \$1,055,628 including employer contributions. Since this Bill establishes the Division as a separate Department within state government there would be additional cost of \$169, 321 with three new positions needed to provide administrative support currently provided by the Governor's Office of Executive Policy and Programs. Of the \$169,321, there is \$11,124 related to the cost of twelve meetings for the nine member board.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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